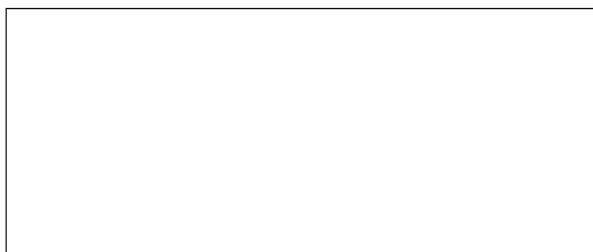


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NOTE TO D/ICS

John would like to take you up on your suggestion to have Fred or the appropriate person take a look at Dick Kerr's suggestions.



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Revised DCID on Foreign Intelligence Priorities Committee

FROM: Walter Elder
Executive Secretary, NFIB

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feasibility of Dick's
suggestions.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

VIA: Director, Intelligence Community Staff
Deputy Director, Intelligence Community Staff

FROM: Walter Elder
Executive Secretary, NFIB

SUBJECT: Revised DCI Directive on Foreign Intelligence Priorities
Committee

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1. Action Requested: That you review the revised DCI directive and approve forwarding it to the members of the current DCID 1/2 committee and the members of the Intelligence Producers Council for coordination on behalf of their principals.

2. Background: The revised directive (attached) has been developed by [] in consultation with the Executive Secretary, NFIB/NFIC, STAT and members of the DCID 1/2 Committee. It would supersede DCID 1/2 (also attached).

There are three principal changes:

a. A Foreign Intelligence Priorities Committee (FIPC) is established to carry on the work of the DCID 1/2 Committee which has never enjoyed a formal charter.

b. Specific reference is included to the SIG(I) committee chaired by the DDCI and comprised of members at the Under Secretary level.

c. The term "requirements topics" replaces the term "requirements categories."

The revised directive chooses a middle ground between two extremes. One was to leave the process and the directive stand. The other was to write a new directive setting forth the authorities and responsibilities of the SIG(I), the DCI, the DDCI, the IPC, the ICS, and an operating committee.

The Chief, IPC Staff, offers the following view:

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The process of identifying current, mid-term, and long-term requirements and priorities is fragmented among the NITs, DCID 1/2, []'s long-range planning, the COMIREX and SIGINT future requirements studies, etc. To write a new DCID now which formalizes the FIPC without addressing the total problem is, to me, a backwards approach which fixes nothing. I propose instead that we all first take a hard look at the process, come up with a new process that integrates the various parts now going their separate ways (and maybe even come up with something that works and is useful), and then address the committees needed to implement the process.

In response to this view, the Acting Director, Intelligence Community Staff holds:


The Chief of the IPC Staff proposes that we do nothing regarding a replacement for DCID 1/2 pending study of the "total problem" and development of a new process that will deal with the fragmentation of effort he perceives. While we certainly can do better coordination, I suspect that integrating the activities he lists would itself create monumental operational and bureaucratic problems. In any event, a search for the new process that will allow us to do it would be lengthy and not assured of success.

The DCID 1/2 priorities process, on the other hand, is currently useful and becoming increasingly effective. As you know, the proposed replacement DCID breaks no new ground, and has already been informally coordinated with the Community. I recommend we go forward with it.

In sum, we are proposing no substantive change to the process as it now stands. We are proposing that it be done by a chartered committee.

[]
Walter Elder

Attachments
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Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

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